

mastery of these issues have resulted in articulate, well-drafted, and far-reaching laws that have helped countless immigrants and refugees.

Art Ryneearson's many contributions are well-known and greatly appreciated by all of us who know him and admire him, and millions of men and women and children who may never know his name have benefited from his dedication and commitment. As he retires after 26 years of heart-felt service and high ability, he has the gratitude and respect of all of us in the Senate, and we wish him well in his retirement.

Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, today the Senate expresses its appreciation and best wishes to one of the great unsung heroes who make this institution work.

Art Ryneearson, the Senate's Deputy Legislative Counsel, is retiring after over 26 years of exemplary service to this body. Art has been a backstage participant in many historic foreign policy decisions of the Senate, assisting the Foreign Relations Committee to draft both legislation and resolutions of advice and consent to ratification of treaties. His actions were rarely recognized or noticed by the public, but his contributions were essential. Art's job was to ensure that our legislation clearly expressed the intent of the committee and that it meshed properly with existing law. He accomplished that through marvelous attention to detail and a complete absence of partisanship.

During the past 6 years, during which I have served as either the chairman or ranking member of the committee, Art has borne a heavy burden—working on such matters as the Chemical Weapons Convention, NATO enlargement, and major legislation to restructure America's foreign policy agencies. The committee owes him a great debt.

It is not overstatement to say that the Senate could not function without people like Art Ryneearson. Every day—and many a night—he was there, unfailingly courteous and professional, ready to assist the committee's members and staff to draft and refine legislation for consideration by the committee and the Senate. His knowledge of foreign relations and immigration law, gained through his many years of service, will not be easily replaced.

I know that I speak for all of my colleagues on the Foreign Relations Committee in saying thank you to Art Ryneearson. We wish him and his wife, Mary, every happiness as he begins his next stage in life.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution and preamble be agreed to; that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; and that any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 33) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

#### S. RES. 33

Whereas Arthur J. "Art" Ryneearson, the Deputy Legislative Counsel of the Senate, became an employee of the Senate on August 25, 1976, and since that date has ably and faithfully upheld the high traditions and standards of the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the United States Senate for more than 26 years;

Whereas Art Ryneearson has served as Deputy Legislative Counsel since October 20, 1999, and demonstrated great dedication, professionalism, and integrity in faithfully discharging the duties and responsibilities of his position;

Whereas Art Ryneearson for more than 26 years was the primary drafter in the Senate of virtually all legislation relating to international relations, international security, immigration, and the State Department, and all matters relating to Senate consideration of international treaties;

Whereas Art Ryneearson will retire on January 31, 2003, after more than 28 years of service with the Congress, including more than 2 years with the Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress; and

Whereas Art Ryneearson has met the legislative drafting needs of the United States with unfailing professionalism, skill, and dedication: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the United States Senate commends Arthur J. Ryneearson for his more than 26 years of faithful and exemplary service to the United States Senate and the Nation, including 4 years as the Deputy Legislative Counsel of the Senate, and expresses its deep appreciation and gratitude for his long, faithful, and outstanding service.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Arthur J. Ryneearson.

#### MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 241

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I understand that S. 241, which was introduced earlier today by Senators SNOWE and KERRY, is at the desk. I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the title of the bill for the first time.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 241) to amend the Coastal Zone Management Act.

Mr. FRIST. I now ask for its second reading and object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will receive its second reading on the next legislative day.

#### ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2003

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 11 a.m., Thursday, January 30. I further ask unanimous consent that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and there then be a period for morning business until 1 p.m., with the time equally divided and Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, for the information of Senators, we do expect a couple of nominations to be available for the Senate's consideration during Thursday's session. We now have a consent agreement for the consideration of the nomination of Gordon England, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security. Votes are, therefore, possible during tomorrow's session. We will alert all Members as the voting times become more certain.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 11 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:23 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, January 30, 2003, at 11 a.m.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate January 29, 2003:

##### THE JUDICIARY

LOUISE W. FLANAGAN, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA, VICE JAMES C. FOX, RETIRED.

RICHARD D. BENNETT, OF MARYLAND, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND, VICE FREDERIC N. SMALKIN, RETIRED.

THERESA LAZAR SPRINGMANN, OF INDIANA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA, VICE JAMES T. MOODY, RETIRED.

JAMES V. SELNA, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, VICE J. SPENCER LETTS, RETIRED.

J. LEON HOLMES, OF ARKANSAS, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS, VICE STEPHEN M. REASONER, RETIRED.

PHILIP P. SIMON, OF INDIANA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA, VICE WILLIAM C. LEE, RETIRED.

##### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 1552.

##### To be colonel

JOSEPH P. DIBENEDITTO, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 1552.

##### To be major

JOHN C. LANDRENEAU, 0000

##### IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AS CHAPLAIN UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

##### To be colonel

CHARLES R. BAILEY, 0000  
LAWRENCE M. BARRY, 0000  
GLEN L. BLOOMSTROM JR., 0000  
KENNETH N. BROWN, 0000  
ROGER D. HEATH, 0000  
FREDERICK E. HOADLEY, 0000  
STEVEN E. MOON, 0000  
TED W. NICHOLS, 0000  
ARTHUR C. PACE, 0000  
RICHARD L. PACE, 0000  
CHARLES D. REESE, 0000  
KENNETH L. SAMPSON, 0000  
DAVID W. SMARTT, 0000

#### CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate January 29, 2003:

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

HARRY ROBINSON, JR., OF TEXAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM SERVICES BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 6, 2003.

ELIZABETH J. PRUETT, OF ARKANSAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM SERVICES BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 6, 2004.

EDWIN JOSEPH RIGAUD, OF OHIO, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM SERVICES BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 6, 2007.

DANA GIOIA, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE CHAIRPERSON OF THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS.